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6.5 miles South of Salem, Near Salem, South Dakota (BPCT-4068 4-24-68)

Transmitter location 0.5 mile Southeast of Mitchell on Highway 37, near Mitchell, S.D.

Main studio location 0.5 mile Southeast of Mitchell on Highway 37, near Mitchell, S.U.

# CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

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## BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed

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Station location Mitchell S. D.

Name of licensee \_\_\_\_HITCHELL BROADCASTING ASSOCIATION, INC.

Transmitter location \_\_\_\_\_

Main studio location .....

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#### COMMERCIAL TV

# BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed

Call letters KXON-TV

Station location MITCHELL, S. DAK.

Name of licensee BUFORD TELEVISION, INC.

Transmitter location .....

Main studio location .....

# CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

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#### APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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Station L:	Mitchell,	South Dakota	Act	ion
File No.	Dated	Application for	Nature	Date
BPCT-2378 Recd & Filed	8-2-57	CP for a new Comm. TV broadcast station - Freq.: Ch.#5, 76-82 mcs. ERP: Vis, 23.6 kw., Aur. 11.8 kw. Hours of operation: Unlimited S-L: On Highway 37, 0.5 mile Southeast of city limits of Mitchell, near Mitchell,	GRANTED .D.	11-13-57
		T-L: Same Station L: Mitchell, South Dakota (Vis. & Aur. GE TT5A) (566 ft.) Requests Waiver of Section 3.613(a). Filed by Charles V. Wayland, Atty		
BMPCT-5118 Recd.&filed Ext. # 1	5-31-58 6-4-58	Mod. of CP(BPCT-2378, which authorized a new Comm. TV B/C Station) to extend completion date from 7-13-58 to 1-13-59.  Charles V. Wayland, Atty.	GRANTED	-10-58
		P.C.C. WASHINGTON, D. C.		

Lloyd R. Amoo, Engr. (Radio Station KORN)

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#### APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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BMFCT-5233 Recd & File	12-11-58	Modification of CP (PPCT-2378, as modified which authorized a new Comm. TV B/C Statito extend completion date from 1-13-59 to July 1959.  Filed by Charles V. Wayland, Atty.	on)	3-23-59
BMPCT-5369 Recd.&Filed	8-18-59 8-19-59	Mod. of CP (BPCT-2378, as mod.,)which auticed a new Comm. TV B/C Station) to extend completion date from 9-20-59 to 2-1-60. Filed by Charles V. Wayland, Atty.	GRANTED	8-27-59
BMPCT-5390 R & filed	9-26-59	Jiled by Charles Mayland, Atty	GRANTED CONDITION surprise of acceptable of acceptable of acceptable of second in provisions of Second in anomitter speci	le data prior accord.with co. 3.640 Rule coptance of
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Name MITCHELL BROADCASTING ASSOCIATION, INC.
Mitchell, South Dakota

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	File No.	Dated	Application for	Nature	tion Date
0000	APCT-5423 & Filed	12-28-59 12-31-59	Mod. of CP (BPCT-2378 as mod., which auth. a new Comm TV B/C station) to extend completion date from 2-1-60 to 5-1-60 Filed by Charles V. Wayland, Atty.	GRANTED	1-15-60
	BMPCT-5456 Recd.&Filed	3-25-60 3-28-60	Mod. of CP (EPCT-2378, as mod., which auth. a new Comm. TV B/C Station) to extend completion date from 5-1-60 to 6-15-60.  Piled by C.V. Wayland, Atty.	GRANTED	3-31-60
	LCT-1038 ecd & filed	5-19-60 5-20-60	License to cover CP (BPCT-2378 as mod.) which authorized a new Commercial TV B/C station Filed by Charles V. Wayland, Atty.	GRANTED	8-15-62
	BRCT-522 Recd.&Filed	12-21-64	RENEWAL OF LICENSE Charles V. Wayland, Atty	GRANTED	3-4-65
	BMLCT-508	2-2-66 2-4-66	Mod. of License to reduce Aural ERP from	GRANIED	2-25-66

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	File No.	Dated	Application for	Nature Nature	10n Date
	BRCT-522	12-18-67	RENEWAL OF LICENSE		Date
_	JAN 8 1968		Chas. V. Wayland, Atty. (Fisher, Wayland, Duvall)	GRANTED	3-29-68
	BPCT-4068	12-20-67	Construction Permit to make the following	+	
	Recd.	12-20-67	Changes: ERP Vis. 100 kw, Aural 11.5 kw;	GRANTED	4-24-68
	FILED	1-2-68	Transmitter Location to 0.7 mile East of, 81, 6.5 mile South of Salem, S.D.; type of Visual		
	JAN 1 9	1368	Transmitter to Gates BT-5CL Plus RCA TT-25-BL; type of antenna to RCA TF-6BM; antenna struc- ture and increase antenna height above average		
			Fisher, Wayland, Duvall & Southmayd, Atty Gautney & Jones, Engr.		
	BMPCT-6902	9-3-68	Mod. (BPCT-4068) to chg. type trans. to GE TT-44	57209 \$30	9-6-68
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File No.	Dated	Application for	Nature	tion Date			
BMPCT-6944 R & F \$30.#471919 PRESS	11-11-68 11-13-68 " NOV 22 1989	MP (BPCT-4068, as mod.) to extend completion date to JUNE 24, 1969. Charles V. Wayland, Atty. (Fisher, Duvall, South)	GRANTEI	11-25-68			
BLCT-1879 R & F \$30 #509200 PRESS ENGR. DATA F	4-21-69 4-23-69 " MAY 5 1989 LED 5-21-70		GRANTED	8-4-71			
BPCT-4408 R & F #653013 \$50 AC: 062 PRESS: AUXILIARY TRA	12-18-70 12-28-70 12-28-70 JAN 1 1 1971	CP to install Auxiliary Trans. (Vis. Gates (Auxiliary Driver) BT-5CL plus RCA (Amplifier) TT-25BL; Aur. Gates (Aux.) BT-5CL) at Main Trans. loc.  Atty.: Fisher, Wayland	GRANTED	4-8-71			
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#### APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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Name MITCHELL BROADCASTING ASSOCIATION, INC.
Ch. 5 Mitchell, South Dakota

File No.	Dated	Application for	Nature	10n Date
BRCT-522 Rec. & filed PN Recd PRESS	12-18-70 12-22-70 12-22-70 JAN 13 1971	RENEWAL OF LICENSE Charles Wayland (Fisher, Wayland) AMENDED 1-28-71 re programming.	GRANTED	3-25-71
Ltr.	4-29-71 MAY 3 197	Req. waiver of Sec. 73.1201 of Comm's Rules to identify station as "Mitchell-Sioux Falls"	GRANTED	6-30-71
BLCT-2098 R & F #015866 AC 069 PRESS:	7-10-21 7-12-71 7-12-71 8-2-71	Lic. to cover (BPCT-4408) for Aux. Trans. Atty. Charles Waylani (Fisher, Wayland)	GRANTED	8-4-71
		F.C.C WASHINGTON, D. C.		

OPPOSITION TO REQUEST FOR WAIVER OF SEC. 73.1201 OF THE COMM'S RULES filed: 6-17-71 by Robert Marmet for KSOO-TV, Inc. (KCOO-TV)

REPLY TO "OPPOSITION TO REQUEST FOR WAIVER OF SEC. 73.1201 OF THE COMM'S RULES filed 6-22-71 by Charles Wayland for KORN-TV

ERRATUM TO "REPLY TO OPPOSITION TO REQUEST FOR WAIVER OF SEC. 73.1201 OF THE COMM. Rules. filed 6-28-71 by Charles Wayland for KORN-TV
OPPOSITION DENIED 6-30-71 by Ltr.

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BUFORD TELEVISION, INC. XCHANNEL SEVEN, INC.

Name XMITCHELL BROADCASTING ASSOCIATION, INC.

CH-5 MITCHELL, SOUTH DAKOTA							
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BALCT-478 R & F #083237 \$1000 AC: 051 PRESS; PN REC'D: GRANT FEE: GRANT FEE PA: AC: 052	6-15-72 JUN 2 2 1972 7-12-72 \$17.500.50	& Kittner)(Assignee) AMENDED 6-16-72 to submit Sect. VI.	GRANTED Eff: 11	9x 10-4-72 -10-72			
BMICT-756 R & F #166021 \$50 AC: 062 PRESS:	3-21-73	Mod of Me to the new of Tanana		-11-73			

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Name BUFORD TELEVISION, INC.  CH-5 MITCHELL, SOUTH DAKOTA						
File No.	Dated	Application for	Nature   Date			
BRCT-522 R & F PN Rec'd: PRESS:	11-26-73 1-2-74 2-11-74 FEB 1 1974	Renewal of License Atty: Carl R. Ramey (McKenna, Wilkinson & (MAIN TRANSMITTER AND ANTENNA)	GRANTED	3-28-74		
#304209\$50 AC: 058 PRESS:	5-6-74 5-13-74 5-18-74 JUN 5 1974	ML to reduce Aural ERP to 10kW. Atty: Carl Ramey (McKenna, Wilkinson & Kittner)	GRANTED	6-14-74		
BRCT- Received	6-11-74	Renewal of License (Auxiliary Trans.)  Atty.: Steven A. Lerman (McKenna, Wilkinson & Kittner)	RETURNED 6: LATE FILED.			

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#### APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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CH-5 BUFORD TELEVISION, INC.
MITCHELL, SOUTH DAKOTA

File No.	Dated	Application for	Natur	e Date
BLCT-2324 R & F #322018 \$50 AC: 058	6-25-74 7-2-74 7-2-74	Lic. for Auxiliary Trans. (Visual - Gates BT-5CL Driver and RCA TT-25BL Amplifier; Aural - Gates BT-5CL).	GRANTEI	10-21-74
PRESS:	OCT 9 1974	Atty.: Steven A. Lerman (McKenna, Wilkinson & Kittner)		
BPCT-4928 R & F #561265 \$100 AC: 001 PRESS:	4-22-76 4-28-76 4-28-76 4-28-76	CP to chg. type ant. to RCA TF-6BM.  Atty.: John J. Smith (McKenna, Wilkinson & Kittner)	GRANTED	8-12-76
BRCT- 522 R&F PN RECD PRESS	11-20-76 12-1-76 12-1-76 2 1 DEC 1976	(Main Trans. & Ant.)(Aux. Trans.) Atty.: Carl Ramey (McKenna, Wilkinson & Kittn	GRANTED er)	1 4-29-77

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#### APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

GILLETT BROADCASTING OF SOUTH DAKOTA, INC. MADVANCED COMMUNICATIONS, INC.

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Name

XBUFORD TELEVISION, INC.

File No.	Dated	Application for	Nature Date	
BLCT-2569 R & F PRESS:	3-8-77 3-11-77 SEP 7 1977	License to cover (BPCT-4928) for changes. Atty: John J. Smith (McKenna, Wilkinson & Kittner)	GRANTED	11-15-77
BALCT-669 R&F PN RECD PRESS (Form 314)	10-20-77 10-21-77	Voluntary assignment of license to Advanced Communications, Inc.  Atty.: Carl R. Ramey (McKenna, Wilkinson & Kittner) (Assignor)  Smith & Pepper (Assignee)  Amended 1-10-78 re additional information.	GRANTED EFF:	1-17-78 2-28-78
BMLCT-855 R&F PRESS	5-1-78 5-2-78 JUN 9 1978	licensee to GILLETT BROADCASTING OF SOUTH	GRANTED	6-27-78

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#### APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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Name GILLETT BROADCASTING OF SOUTH DAKOTA, INC.
CH-5 MITCHELL, SOUTH DAKOTA

File BTC-7807 R&F PRESS (Form 31	7131A	7-13-78 AUG 2 5 1978	Atty.: E. Theodore Mallyck	Nature GRANTEI EFF:	
BRCT- 791130 R & F PN REC PRESS	Ke C'D	11-1-79 11-30-79 11-30-79 '80 01 03	RENEWAL OF LICENSE ATTY: JAMES L. OYSTER(SMITH & PEPPER)	GRANTED	3-25-80
			F.C.C WASHINGTON, D. C.		

#### **About the History Cards ...**

History Cards were first used by the Department of Commerce to keep track of applications filed by, and changes to, the earliest AM broadcast radio stations in the early 1920s. The records were subsequently transferred to the Federal Radio Commission in 1927, and after that to the Federal Communications Commission when that agency was created in 1934. These cards gradually grew into a large card file.

TV History Cards were initiated in the early 1940s, with the authorization of the earliest TV stations. History Cards remained in use until the creation of the first computerized database in 1980 to track broadcast applications, the Broadcast Application Processing System (BAPS). However, the Commission did not transfer the data from the History Cards to the new system. Instead, it retained the History Cards in their original form for reference.

In 1999, the Commission moved to a new location (445 12<sup>th</sup> Street SW), and also at that time created the successor database to BAPS, the Consolidated DataBase System (CDBS). Prior to that move, the History Cards were transferred to microfiche by a contractor (only a few sets of microfiche exist), and the original paper cards were destroyed. The History Cards were stored on the microfiche as negative images, like those you see above.

History Cards contain very brief entries and notes about station facilities, applications, and ownership. They are not, and never were intended to be, a comprehensive record of a station's operations. Nevertheless, they can be useful to help determine, for example, when a station first went on the air and its call letters at that time. History Card comments were generally typed onto the cards, and thus some records will show more faintly or with more smudging than others, depending on the quality of typewriter and ribbon then used. Occasional handwritten comments, corrections, and strikeouts may also be found. Cards may be incomplete, missing, or occasionally out of sequence.

The History Cards are presented here as they were copied to microfiche, to preserve this record for public use, and with the hope that they will be of value to future researchers of television station history.

